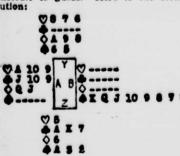
Capt. Frank Roy Sets a Very

FINE PLAYS AT CHECKERS

Problem No. 367, by Capt, Frank Roy, had a very neat trap in it, one which prebably nine out of ten persons would through all the variations. Here is the insist was not a trap at all even if it list of those entitled to credit for correct was pointed out to them. How many solutions:



There are no trumps and Z is in the lead. Y and Z want six tricks against any defence, although there are only

winning clubs, so as to give Y two spade discards. This lays the foundation for meeting any defence that A and B may have to make in the way of discards on the tricks that are yet to come. Of course B has discarded two spades, and that been careful to keep the smallest

deuce of spades. As it is clear that Z will be back in the lead presently on those spades. A must keep the club, so Allows him to win another spade, A and Y both discarding hearts. When Z wins

What is A to discard? That solves

The correct opening does not solve this problem unless Y discards spades.

If he lets go a heart on either of the club leads, the object of B's keeping the four of spades is at once apparent. Suppose Y discards two hearts.

When Z leads the small spade B wins the trick with a big one and returns the

When Z leads the small spade B wins the trick with a big one and returns the four. This forces Z to put on the ace. so as to keep Y from being forced into the lead, and after that there is only one more trick for Y and Z, the ace of diamonds. If Z allows Y to win the return of the spade, it is the same.

If Y distards only one heart on the clubs, whether on the first trick or the second does not matter. We having kept his smallest spade defeats the solution.

second does not matter. B's having kept his smallest spade defeats the solution, because if Y has only one spade left when Z leads the deuce B will duck the trick and leave Y in the lead. This gives A four tricks.

Z must lead the spade for the third trick. If he leads either of the red suits, A must make three heart tricks, one diamond and one club. If Z leads the ace of spades for the third trick, he must lead a red suit for the fourth trick, with the same result. A getting four list of successful solvers: with the same result, A getting four list of successful solvers;

allow Z to win in all kinds of ways, and a number of solvers gave them. This is when B drops the four of spades on the first club lead. Z can give B two spade tricks at once before leading a second club. On winning the third round of spades Z makes his winning club, Y having discarded three hearts.

he meantime what has A dis hand will not solve, because Y must win the trick. Then Z must let B win two spade tricks or give A two hearts and can discard the queen. This discard was overlooked by those who fell into the real trap of the problem, the origi-

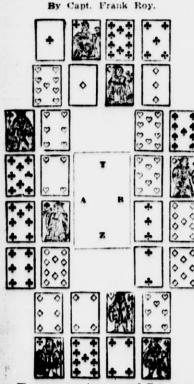
and and made B, win it with the seven and lead a high one. This makes it easy, as A has to discard three times. and Y gives up the hearts.

back with the four. Z dare not be accoming this trick, so he puts on the accoming the four darks as the proposition was that two men were throwing poker dice and one of them had to beat a trey full on fives. After using up two of his three throws the trick of the proposition was that two men were throwing a diamond, he must follow with the four tricks and the proposition was that two men were throwing a diamond, he must follow the proposition was that two men were throwing poker dice and one of them had to beat a trey full on fives.

Herbert C. Hill, O. H. Boston, Henry Andresen, J. C. Hume, Frank S. Busser, E. W. White, C. F. Johnson, D. A. W., J. Warren Miller, M. W. Jacobs, Jr., Keystone, R. C. Mankowski, Marie Thanbouser, George B. Glover, F. W. Trimble, D. Perry, W. P. W. and W. O. Johnson. All the others started with the small spade.

which are in preparation by four lead-ing cracks. There will probably be nothbrough with these four rounds. In the full. eantime this is not so hard :

BRIDGE PROBLEM No. 369.



READERS TO SOLVE

That the nine of hearts, ace, queen, ten, five of clubs, ace, queen, three of diamonds, no spades.

A has the six, four of hearts, king, eight, seven, six of clubs, ten of diamonds and queen of spades.

B has the ten, eight of hearts, three, deuce of clubs, king, nine, eight of diamonds and the nine of spades.

Z has the jack, seven of hearts, jack, nine, four of clubs, six, four of diamonds and the jack of spades.

All the solutions to problem No. 366 were submitted to the composer, in order that proper allowance might be made for

was pointed out to them. How many would see it if it came up at the card table in the course of a rubber it is not difficult to guess. Here is the distribution:

Solutions:

A. B. Rawson, John T. Edson, George Bauer, George M. Lord, A. D. Davis, George P. Fraprie, T. W. McMahon, James Hyland, Elljah P. Landry, John Victory, P. J. McGarry, C. E. Corliss, Rudolph Nitcher, Harry A. Burdick, Owen Fox, R. M. Ferguson, J. A. M. M., Edward Mulrooney, F. G. Hepburn, John J. O'Neil, E. J. Graf, J. H. Noremac, James G. Pinkerton, L. S. Hart, Jr., Nareik, J. Warren Miller, A. J. B., James A. Green, John Ryan, J. B. Morse, Conrad Alheidt, Samuel Gonotsky, C. M. Bunn, Lawrence D. Varney, Ira J. Martin, J. P. DeGroff, Albany, S. F. Barnett, J. J. F. Bronx, E. H. Decker, Hoboken and E. W. Reeve.

re are no trumps and Z is in the Y and Z want six tricks against defence, although there are only n sight.

The distribution of the pieces is: Black man on 4, kings on 2, 21 and 29, white kings on 10, 11, 13 and 18. White

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to play	and win.		
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17-22	21-25	19-24	26-30
1418	25-21	18-22	12-16
18-15	21-25	24-20	16-19
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PROBLEM NO. 369. CHECKERS. By William Evans.



nal spade lead.

Instead of giving Y two spade dismen on 1, 7, 12, 13, 14 and 23; king

and Y gives up the hearts.

If B refuses to win the first spade lead it is just as easy for Y and Z, because another small spade forces him to win the trick, and again A has to discard three times.

The defence to the spade opening is for B to win the first trick, which must be a small spade, and to come right back with the four. Z dare not let Y win this trick, so he puts on the ace.

This little puzzle in permutations terms to have aroused considerable interest among the mathematical sharps, but as usual with all problems of this character the chief stumbling block was not in the working out of the terms but in the correct statement of the facts to be figured on.

The proposition was that two men were throwing poker dice and one of

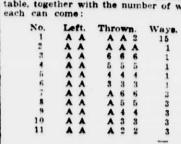
After using up two of his three throws with solve if A comes back with but that would give Y a diadiscard. A's defence is the diadicad, which forces Y to give A in the suit, then or later, ect solutions from: ect Solutions from: equal to the control of the dice, leaving the aces, and try for some one of a number of hands that would win.

Once the solver sees what throws of

small spade.

Here is another instructive situation by the same composer, which is the forerunner of a series of four propositions of the hardest kind in the problem line.

which are in preparation by four leading cracks. There will probably be nothing a pair of sees on the table. ing left of the honor list when they are leven hands that will beat a trey table, together with the number of ways



It is clear that in the first hand given the odd die with the four aces may be any one of five faces, 2, 3, 4, 5, or 6. Also that it may occupy any one of the three positions, the dice coming A A 2, A 2 A, or 2 A A. This gives us the 5x3=15 ways. Hands 7 to 11, inclusive may have the ace in any of three positions. Strange to say, a number of the way the hand was left to play it he made his contract. When Y did not take him out, or Z went back to two no trumps after being taken out, he was set for one or two tricks in every case but one, according to the way the hand was partner bidding no trumper alone. The did not feel justified in passing with such elements in his own cards and his partner bidding no trumper alone.

AT ROYAL AUCTION

Ignorance of One Little Piece

of Tactics Causes Loss of Many Tricks.

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J. J. F. Bronx, E. H. Decker, Hoboken and E. W. Reeve.

Checker problem No. 367 required some careful manipulation in order to secure the win, but a number succeeded in covering the ground very thoroughly. Here are the principal variations as given by the late Royal A. Davis:

The distribution of the pieces is:
Black man on 4, kings on 2, 21 and 29, white the term of the pieces is:
Black man on 4, kings on 2, 21 and 29, white the declarer has the account of the pieces is:
Checker problem No. 367 required some properly handled only by the untaught player.

But there is one position that is constantly misplayed even by those who are pretty well up in the tactics of the game, and that is the combination of queen in one hand and ace in the other, with or without the jack or the ten, or both. You constantly see a dummy's queen led through when the declarer has the account of the pieces is: ace and others, but you can seldom find a player who can give you the rule for the management of all such situations so that you can remember it and use

plan is to lead from the weak hand to the strong, so as to finesse the queen, in the hope that the king may be to the right of the ace and queen. This finesse is governed by the rule that you

must play as if you knew the card were there, because if it is not there, it does not matter how you play.

So familiar is the average player with the merits of this finesse that if the queen is in one hand and the ace in the other he will lead the queen to the ace, with the idea that he is make. o the ace, with the idea that he is making the same finesse as when both accand queen are in the one hand.

it on, and then you have wasted both ace and queen to get one trick.

The adversary's idea is to make some subordinate card good in his partner's hand by forcing you to use up your high cards in this manner, two at a time. If the king is in the fourth hand he will just wait until it is his turn to play and take that queen into camp.

If you hold both ace and queen and the king is on your left, one trick is all you can make if you have to lead the suit, no matter how you manage it. If the king is on your left, you can make if that king is still on your right with a suit that cannot is in the dummy, one trick is all you for the police?

If you hold the ace and the queen is in the dummy, one trick is all you can make if that king is still on your right with a suit that cannot go game against a no trumper on your right with a suit that cannot go game against a no trumper on your right with a suit that cannot go game against a no trumper on your right with a suit that cannot go game against a no trumper cannot go game against an output of the diamonds. Five trump tricks, five diamonds and the eace of clubs was the sent to go the police?

In spite of all the evidence and logic that king is still on your play is not to lead.

This being so your play is not to lead the subject there seems to be a large number of the play of the play of the play and take that queen into camp.

If you hold both ace and queen and the king is on your right with a suit that cannot play the police of the police?

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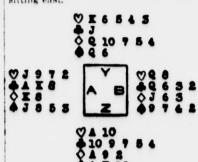
Among the Police delation that they would never have declaration that they would never have whole hox of them away from their moorings.

If the king is in the fourth hand den recesses of one of them as sold en bloc and who knows but what in the hid-den recesses of one of them away from their make the pal of some police fits they heard before the swift hand they ha

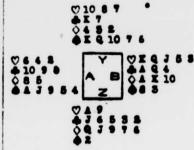
your only salvation in the other.

This being so your play is not to lead from the queen to the ace, but from the ace to the queen. It is the one curious exception to the otherwise universal rule of leading from the weak hand to the while others will go just as far with the strong of the diamonds. Five trump tridiamonds and the ace of clubs seem to the queen. It is the one curious exception to the otherwise universal rule of leading from the weak hand to the major suit, but not on a minor suit, the palry 20 and 30 that wo while others will go just as far with the resulted from the no trumper and the diamonds. Five trump tridiamonds and the ace of clubs result. strong.

of the duplicate tournament at the Knickerbocker on February 24, upon which only one pair in the room went game, all the others missing it by their mismanagement of this position, ace in one hand and queen in the other, with-



Z bid one heart, which A passed. Y



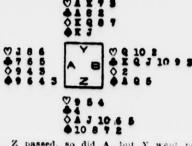
two tricks that way by soutting out the king, you will find that if the second hand has the king he will at once put it on, and then you have wasted both ace and queen to get one trick.

The faults in this hidding are evident. The only player at the table that has a besent minded gentlement had any sort is B. and Z should never have mentioned the diamonds. The only some one say. "Excuse result of the declaration is to tempt his thing you." That was to

Once the solver sees what throws of which two aces would form a part will be at a trey full the calculations are easy enough. It is admitted that the odds against getting another ace with one hrow of one die are five to one. The whole question is as to the odds against.

Here is a hand that went the rounds with ground the country every day, to say nothing of the games and rubbers that go with them.

Here is a hand that went the rounds game as the preceding ones, dealer stiting south: minor suit if



trump. At one table B kept still and held the no trumper down to two by cards, saving the game, but at the majority of tables B allowed himself to be carried away by the four honors in one hand and the ace queen of another suit, with a doubly guarded queen in a third suit. This looks like a big hand and B suit. This looks like a

PLAYED AT POLICE SALE

that the jack will drop, playing the ace. After that it does not matter what he does. Y can never take another trick, and all that Z can win is two spades, which do not even fulfil a contract to make the odd trick.

At one table Z went game on this hand at no trumps, simply by the correct management of this ace queen position. Upon winning the first heart trick he led the small diamond from his own hand; from the ace to the queen.

Pearing to lose his singly guarded.

"COMEDIE HUMAINE" AS PLAYED AT POLICE

Little life of this our city passed in review last week at the largest sale of unclaimed property which the Police Department has ever held.

Cut of the dark basement where lot and look at it. A LL the life of this our city lift it to the platform beside the auctoneer. The bidding began at 50 cents and closed at \$14. The final purpoperty which the Police Dechaser had not even taken the trouble

Out of the dark basement where lot and look at it.

"I'll take my chances," said he, "on "I'll take my chances," said he,

kept for six months if unclaimed. Bolts of cloth which either fell into many situations and would no sooner settle on one than another would seem even more common.

There are many standard positions that every one with a knowledge of the game is supposed to know how to play. When to lead trumps, when to discard losers, in which hand to hold the rentries, where to unblock and which suit to duck—all these matters are improperly handled only by the untaught player.

All that A and B could have made was the finder is notified and if the streets from trucks or were asted to do so by persons who did not the Police Department the property is turned over to the auctioneer. It is so with articles once "proceeds of the modern style of bidding more than anything else. It was No. 7 in the same sat south:

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That is all in the play. Here is a within ten days he fails to ask for the within ten days he fails to ask for the within ten days he fails to ask for the within ten days he like to ask for the within ten days he fails to ask for the withi

slice of life, a part of the life that the chance taken from some after brought \$4 and the vanity case, second hand dealers from the East dropped no doubt on the way out from second hand dealers from the dropped no doubt on the way out from Side, from out Harlem way, from The one of the leading trotteries of the Bronx, avid faced seekers after bar-gains, felt the thrill of adventure and speculation and mystery which goes

will tell you, while another will explain that in this particular case he thinks such a play would be better. What you want is a rule that is based on mathematical expectation of results and that is bound to come out ahead in the long run, even if it falls down badly now and there is the contract and made a little slam, the top the contract and made all title slam, the top the contract a then.

It can be demonstrated that if the queen is in one hand, and only once guarded, the best chance for two tricks are scattered enough to go no is to put it right on, unless the ten is with the ace and others in the fourth hand.

It can be demonstrated that if the bids the clubs. If his partner's tricks are scattered enough to go no the farm. How many sad accounts of trumps he may have only one in hearts, and the queen jack ten of spades may be all in one hand against Ys suit, as Z denies it.

The fobs are plated, the cases of the ways of the metropolis show watches are often only filled gold, but once in a while there comes out of the sold unopened and unhefted to buyers heap of pinchbeck something really who are willing to take all kinds of good. Hence the elation of the Harem jeweller who got a repeater at the worth while. The hotel swindler is

were gathered by eminent dips work-ing the rattlers. That is to say, per-

It is a difficult this is simply throwshing about the game. This how anything about the game. This how anything about the game are not back of the quent, which is quite another story and has rules in the form the hing for the heighner to understand is that you hope for the king to be one side when the ace and queen are together, and for it to be on the other side when the ace and queen are together, and for it to be on the other side when the ace and queen are together, and for it to be on the other side when the ace and queen are divided.

The faults in this bidding are evident.

The faults in this bidd

"Excuse me for jos

the diamonds. Five trump tricks, five diamonds and the ace of clubs was the

This shows 149 points plus, instead of resulted from the no trumper and all be cause B imagined he would score four honors in one hand, in a suit which never was the trump and in which he never

The Winter Resorts Continued from Sirth Page.

Johnson and Miss Johnson of East Orange, N. J.

AUGUSTA, GA.

Augusta, Ga., March 4 .-- There will e no decrease in the number of arrivals at Partridge Inn during this month judging by the number of reservations who find the climate of late March ! the tropics too enervating to make out

Among the visitors to the inn this winter are Mrs. Junius S. Morgan and son, Alexander P. Morgan, of New York, Mrs. Morgan is a cousin of the late J. door sports enjoyable. Pierpont Morgan, and has a large sintance among the members of New

ter. Miss Hill of New York, arrived this week for an extended visit. They spent a short time in Charleston, S. C., before ig to Augusta.

Other recent arrivals from New York

the 5x3=15 ways. Hands 7 to 11, inclusive may have the ace in any of three positions. Strange to say, a number missed this problem by forgetting that one can hold five of a kind at poke.

As three dice can be thrown in 6x6xs = 216 different ways and thirty-five of these ways will beat a trey full, to 35, or a shade worse than 5 to 1. This being the case. William Figrand with his bet by a nose, as he insisted the chances were in favor of the one die.

Charles D. Shuldham, George B. Grover, J. B., Frank S. Busser, W. H. L., Algernon Bray, R. G. Sparrow, Russell C. Paris, Achilles H. Kohn, R. K. Chen, in which case A's play does not matter, and to prevent the possibility of and led another diamond, on which B played small.

Now if Z finesses the nine he may let the lone jack make, and be blocks the suit is any case as be taken the chance and diamonds to win the game, specially with the prospect of losing two tricks in diamonds to win the game, and diamonds to win the game, specially with the prospect of losing two tricks in diamonds to win the game, especially with the prospect of losing two tricks in diamonds to win the game, especially with the prospect of losing two tricks in each of the black suits, so he took a chance on a bid of two hearts.

At one table A led a small heart and the queen of diamonds, which of spades, so as to get dummy in lead to the spade trick with the queen, dummy lost the prospect of losing two tricks in diamonds to win the game, especially with the prospect of losing two tricks in diamonds to win the game, especially with the prospect of losing two tricks in cach of the black suits, so he took a chance on a bid of two hearts.

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BROOKLYN ADVERTISEMENTS. I

crime," which are held as long as they may be useful as exhibits in the courts and finally sold if no owner comes for them within the time specified. All the returns from these official auction sales go to the police pension fund.

Every lot which went under the hammer last Tuesday was in itself a slice of life, a part of the never ending slice of life, a part of the never ending comedie humaine. Even the buyers,

A box containing religious articles, with the vending of the properties of manieure sets, surgical instruments. the never ceasing drama of New York.

It would take long delving into the records to bring each tale to light, and an old fashioned velocipede follow Here, for instance, is the Romance of in quick succession, for the catalogue makers of the Police Department do not stop to classify. A suit case full of padiocks, four prayer shawls and a lorgnette are all put up in sequence.

It makes no difference to them.

People are careless about watching their automobiles in this lown and that accounts for the array of tires which Police Headquarters always has to

with the ace and others in the fourth hand.

It can also be shown that if the ten is with the ace the only possible way to lose the certainty of two tricks in the band. Lay out the cards and try it, placing the king jack nine and others where you please and letting the lead come from either side for the second round.

This rule refers to the separation of the ace and queen when the suit is led by the adversaries. Few know how some players can drop the ace and queen when the suit is led by the adversaries. Few know how some players can drop the ace and queen when the suit is led by the adversaries. Few know how some players can drop the ace and queen when the suit is led by the adversaries. Few know how some players can drop the ace and queen when the suit is led by the adversaries. Few know how some form the refers to the separation of the ace and queen when the suit is led by the adversaries. Few know how some form the correct of the play when it is the plan is to lead from the weak hand to the refers to the separation of the same game as the others.

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ing the rattlers. That is to say, persons of predatory instincts collected sons of predatory instincts collected the leather purses and pocketbooks the leather purses and pocketbooks from passengers on our leading street. Lott came in from one of our leading street suburbs to meet Imogene and take her suburbs to goods shall be removed at once, outfit goes to the eminent tailor person really means that a deposit is particular.

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Sing Country Club, Houston Lott ages are part of the stock of Here the unwary stranger at the should have claimed that attire of his auctioneer.

Sir Edward Carson Appeals to Irish in America

Former British Cabinet officer in a remarkable interview given to THE SUN urges his countrymen to bury past differences and remain loval to England.

IN THE SUN NEXT SUNDAY

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Is the business staging a drama of reckless extravagance in the pay ment of film stars that will end in a big crash? Read the views of leading motion picture men in next Sunday's SUN.

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In her characteristically humorous vein Jane Dixon will discuss the propriety of her sex being present to witness the forthcoming battle between Willard and Moran. Don't miss this in THE SUN next Sunday.

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